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## Jelinek praises brownfield project to redevelop middle school property

**LANSING** – Sen. Ron Jelinek issued the following statement regarding the announcement of plans to turn the former Dowagiac Middle School property into a medical-arts building and senior living facility:

"It is great news for Dowagiac to get approval and help from the state to redevelop the old middle school property into a usable venue once again. The construction of a medical facility will be handy for local residents and the apartments for seniors will let them remain close to relatives. Both new facilities also will create more jobs for area residents and help the local economy. I can't wait to see both projects completed."

The former middle school building will be torn down to provide room for a two-story medical arts building and a three-story, 54-unit senior apartment building. Both buildings are expected to be expanded in the near future.

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